Floating joint ventures for metro airports

2011. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD:
SHRI NANA DESHMUKH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to float a joint venture with private corporate for all the four metro airports and a separate joint venture for each remaining airports with five per cent equity of Airport Authority of India;

(b) if so, what are the details; and

(c) whether the security angle has been looked into in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (c) Hon'ble Finance Minister has announced in his Budget for 2003-2004 that in addition to the existing initiative for leasing of major airports, as the principal hubs of international travel to India, for modernisation to international standards. Two separate companies will be formed with initial equal equity participation from the Airports Authority of India. These two companies could also take joint venture partners. On completion, the management will be leased out. However, detailed policy regarding above has not been worked out.

Special purpose vehicle for Chennai and Hyderabad airports

2012. SHRI S.M. LAL JAN BASHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a special purpose vehicle has been set up exclusively for the modernisation of Chennai and Hyderabad airports;

(b) the details of this special purpose vehicle;

(c) the amount to be raised for this SPV;

(d) the funds already raised from private investors;

(e) whether State Governments will also contribute for this purpose; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) No special purpose vehicle has been set up for Chennai. However, Government has approved construction of a new airport of international standards at Shamshabad near Hyderabad under joint venture with majority private sector participation. The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has incorporated a company namely, Hyderabad International Airport Limited with a provision to induct the strategic joint venture partner as also Airports Authority of India at a later stage. State Government has selected a consortium led by GMR Infrastructure as "preferred bidder", based on global bidding process.

(c) and (d) The project cost optimization exercise is at present underway. It is premature at this stage to indicate the amount to be raised from private investors.

(e) and (f) The preferred bidder has sought State support in the form of required land at a nominal lease; subsidy/interest free loan of Rs.293 crores; and external infrastructure *viz.* road connectivity from national highway, power and water supply upto the airport boundary.

Non-utilisation of airports in Karnataka

2013. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Airlines or private operators are operating air services to Bellary, Hubli and Belgaum in Karnataka;

(b) if not, the reasons for not utilising these airports; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to provide air services from these airports?